

PUBLIC COMMENT SUMMARY

**On Idaho's Draft FY 2009—2013
Statewide Transportation
Improvement Program (STIP)**



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Introduction

The Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) accepts comments and project suggestions throughout the year. However, during ITD's annual Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) update process the department conducts a 30-day comment period creating an opportunity for our customers to provide additional input to Idaho's STIP on proposed transportation plans and projects. This year the DRAFT FY 2009-2013 STIP comment period was July 3 – August 4, 2008. More than 1,500, CDs, printed copies and e-mail notifications of the Draft STIP were distributed.



It is the responsibility of the Idaho Transportation Board to review and take into consideration the comments received prior to the adoption of the final FY 2009 – 2013 STIP. Changes to projects listed in the Draft STIP may be approved at the September Board meeting and will appear in the final STIP submitted for approval to FHWA and FTA in October.

Federal Requirements and Public Involvement


Transportation Research Board (TRB) defines public involvement as “the process of two-way communication between citizen and government by which transportation agencies and other officials give notice and information to the public and use public input as a factor in decision making.” Public involvement is a two-way street. In order to participate effectively in transportation project development and planning, people need ways to get information from the department and a way to give information back.

The emphasis on public involvement was intensified with the passage in 2005 of Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, known as “SAFETEA-LU” (23 U.S.C.134, 23 CFR, Part 450 and 49, CFR, Part 613). Previously, the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) of 1991 required states and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to involve the public to a much greater extent in the transportation decision-making process than under previous laws. When ISTEA expired in 1998, it was replaced by the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), which continued to place strong emphasis on public involvement.

As required by SAFETEA-LU regarding statewide and metropolitan planning requirements, “the state shall develop a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) for all areas of the state”. Metropolitan planning organizations (MPO) are also required to develop a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The TIP must mirror and be incorporated into the STIP.

An essential element in the STIP and TIP planning and development process is public participation. Not only is public participation mandated as a requirement by SAFETEA-LU, it is an ongoing practice of the department to carry out year-round communication and public involvement.

Idaho's STIP represents the five-year master plan of transportation projects. The Department works in collaboration with the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC), the six MPOs in Idaho, Indian Tribal nations, and input from the public and other interested agencies.



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SAFETEA-LU requires that the STIP and TIP be updated at least every four years as well as contain four years of projects and strategies. Idaho's STIP is developed annually and represents a fiscally constrained multi-year, multi-modal program that shows planned highway, transit, aeronautics, Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicle (GARVEE) and highway safety projects.

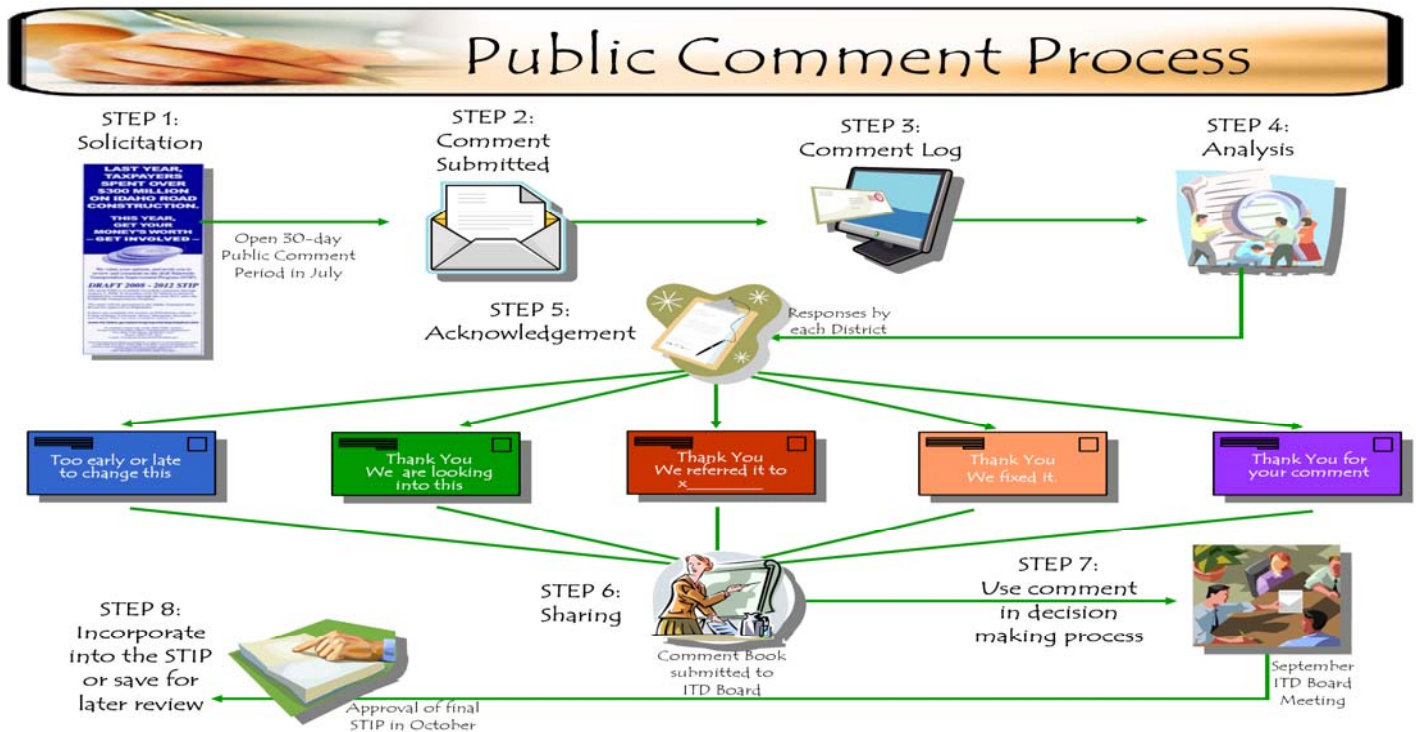
For purposes of FHWA and FTA approval, the STIP/TIP contains a priority list of projects in FY 2009 – 2012. Idaho's STIP also shows projects for information purposes in the FY 2013 construction year and local projects in preliminary development for budgeting purposes. MPO TIPs and Idaho's STIP also mirror each other. Information concerning a TIP can be found within each of the following locations:

- **Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization** (KMPO) consisting of all the communities in Kootenai County.
Glenn F. Miles,
Transportation Manager
221 W. First Avenue, Suite 310
Spokane, WA 99201
Phone: 509.343.6370 or 800.698.1927
FAX: 509.343.6400
- **Lewis-Clark Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization** (LCVMPO) consisting of the cities of Lewiston, ID and Clarkston and Asotin, WA.
Steve Watson, Director
P.O. Box 759 · Asotin, WA 99402
Phone: 208.746.1318 ·
FAX: 208.746.5595
- **Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho** (COMPASS) consisting of the cities of Boise, Garden City, Eagle, Meridian, Kuna, Star, Nampa, Caldwell and Middleton.
- **Matt Stoll**, Executive Director
Toni Tisdale, TIP Coordinator
800 S. Industry Way, Ste 100
Meridian, ID 83642
Phone: 208.855.2558
FAX: 208.855.2559
- **Bannock Transportation Planning Organization** (BTPO) consisting of the cities of Pocatello and Chubbuck
Mori Byington, Planning Director
PO Box 6129
Pocatello ID 83205-6129
Phone: 208.233.9322 ext. 23
FAX: 208.233.4841
- **Bonneville Metropolitan Planning Organization** (BMPO) consisting of the cities of Idaho Falls, Ammon and Iona
Darrell West, Director
1810 W. Broadway #15
Idaho Falls, ID 83402
Phone: 208.612.8530
FAX: 208.612.8520

When SAFETEA-LU was passed in 2005, it retained all of the public involvement language from the previous acts and added new public participation requirements. First, MPOs are required to publish a Public Participation Plan that has been developed in consultation with interested parties. The Public

Participation Plan is intended to afford parties who participate in the metropolitan planning process with a specific opportunity to comment on the TIP prior to its approval. An additional SAFETEA-LU mandate includes providing plans and the STIP/TIP in an electronically accessible format, such as on the web in order to reach more people. The internet site should make available plans and transportation improvement programs.

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The Transportation Planning [website](#) is continually being updated so that our customers can access the latest planning and programming information. In addition, SAFETEA-LU requires that ITD and MPOs use to the extent practical, visualization techniques to describe plans and TIPs. Examples of visualization techniques include, but are not limited to, orthophotos, GIS-based mapping, graphics, tables, and other visual representations within documents, public meetings, etc. But most importantly, the intent of the SAFETEA-LU regulations is to encourage the state and MPOs to provide early and continuous public involvement opportunities throughout the planning and programming process. A statement of SAFETEA-LU compliance along with the recommended STIP will be submitted to FHWA and FTA in October.

The department utilizes public involvement to ensure that the federal and state transportation dollars Idaho receives are used wisely. Consulting with our transportation customers is a crucial way to identify public values and needs, gather information, and build consensus on future transportation programs. Fundamentally, public participation makes for better transportation decisions. ITD recognizes the importance of involving the public and agencies in information exchange when providing transportation facilities and services to meet state's transportation challenges. It is the guiding principle of the department to promote public involvement opportunities especially during the annual update of the STIP.

The objective for effective public participation by the Idaho Transportation Department includes:

- Raising the level of understanding of the transportation planning process especially during the development and implementation of the STIP and the six metropolitan TIPs;
- Providing the public with opportunities for involvement in the transportation planning process;
- Enabling citizens, interested agencies, and other governmental entities the opportunity to provide comments on how transportation funds should be spent annually; and
- Ensure that the final transportation outcome becomes a shared mission with the community and policy makers.



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The STIP Update Process

Idaho's STIP update process begins each year in September with the approval, by the Idaho Transportation Board, of the draft STIP. Upon Board approval, Idaho's STIP is sent to FHWA and FTA for final federal approval. This usually takes between four and six weeks. Only after FHWA/FTA approval can new projects to Idaho's STIP begin using federal funds.

In October, planning for the next cycle of the STIP begins. Local agency meetings are planned within each district to begin discussing STIP coordination and planning efforts for programs of local interest. Local urban and rural application processes are announced at that time.

From November to May each year, the districts and headquarter staff interact and gather input for Idaho's STIP from all modes from the MPOs, LHTAC, local agencies, other internal divisions, advisory committees, the Idaho Transportation Board, Indian Tribes, other state and federal agencies, and most importantly, the public. During this time, projects that have been approved in the five-year STIP are being developed in design and obtaining environmental clearance and acquiring needed right-of-way, or getting ready for construction. For those projects in the current fiscal year of the STIP, final design is occurring so that construction can take place.

January is when the department forecasts how much money will be available from both federal and state funds to use for transportation projects. In February these revenue forecasts go out to ITD district offices, LHTAC and MPOs, which in turn recommend projects for inclusion in the next draft STIP based on the established available funding.

In June of each year, the project Capital Investment Program (CIP)/Draft STIP is presented to the Transportation Board along with information about how the program addresses strategic performance areas and the status of the statewide priority projects. The public then has a 30-day opportunity for review. Idaho's STIP public comment period is special time when people have the opportunity to review the culmination of project and planning development activities that has gone on within the state.

Although public involvement is received throughout the entire process, the 30-day comment and review period following the issuance of the draft STIP in July is necessary to gather additional input from those that may not normally be involved in the development of projects.

The official comment period also provides an opportunity for the department and the Board to see if the decisions used to create the draft STIP fulfill the value and needs of the community/ state as a whole. Reviewing the public involvement comments gathered during the draft review period of the STIP in July helps the Idaho Transportation Board make their final decisions as to the project priorities that will be submitted to FHWA and FTA for approval in October.

STIP Availability

The DRAFT FY 2009-2013 STIP Comment Period was July 3 – August 4, 2008. More than 1,500 CD's and e-mail notifications of the Draft STIP were distributed this year. Hard Copy documents were made available upon request. From all of the CDs sent, only five people called to request a printed copy. Having the STIP



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available on CD and the internet has saved the department more than \$25,000 per year in publishing and mailing costs.

CD's of the STIP were sent specifically to the following:

- Cities;
- Counties;
- Local highway jurisdictions;
- Idaho universities and colleges;
- Indian Tribal governments located in Idaho;
- Regional planning and development associations;
- LHTAC and the Associations of Cities and Counties;
- Idaho Legislators;
- Idaho state agencies of interest; and
- A statewide list of stakeholders who have requested to be on our annual mailing list (businesses, consultants, and citizens) with an expressed interest in state transportation planning activities.

In addition to having the STIP more accessible via the web, the ability to make comments was also improved. For the first time, comments could be submitted to the department through an [on-line comment form](#). The on-line comment form enabled people to comment directly from the document or the internet. The comment form was well received.

In addition, public comments during this period were accepted by the department and MPOs in several ways:

- E-mail;
- Facsimile;
- Letters/Mail;
- On forms provided during public hearing/meeting attendance; and
- By telephone.

By "getting the word out" to a diverse set of stakeholders, ITD and MPOs were able to establish a variety of places where information was readily and conveniently available. It is also important to have direct contact with ITD staff. This is why the department and MPOs utilize many methods to reach people other than just sending out materials. Riding the wave of "high-tech" technology, the department utilized the Internet to open up exciting possibilities for reaching people with the information they need and offering them new ways to interact.

The STIP process is on-going throughout the year. ITD is not content with just having people come to public hearings. Thus, the department attempts to go where the people are. Some of the methods used to obtain public involvement during the year include:

- ITD is reaching rural and metropolitan communities through numerous corridor plans either recently completed or underway.
- Distributing information about various interchange reconstruction projects at local malls and other areas with heavy traffic.
- Participation by ITD on MPO Boards and Technical Advisory Committees (TAC) and local transportation committees and coalitions.
- Weekly public meetings for major construction projects.
- Setting up informational booths at public events, such as the Eastern Idaho Fair in Blackfoot, the Twin Falls County Fair in Filer and a transportation fair in Pocatello.

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- Providing an easy-to-use Statewide Transportation Improvement Program booklet for review and public comment.
- Meeting with Indian Tribal governments in Idaho, civic groups and clubs.
- Attending annual meetings for the associations of cities, counties and highway districts.
- Participating with local planning agencies in their public involvement efforts.
- Include public comment from mail, e-mail, and internet interaction for people who can't attend STIP public meetings.

Press Notification

Press notification is one way that the department keeps its constituents informed of ongoing activities, but it is also required in order to expend state and federal funds. Idaho Code requires that all public agencies provide notification to the public of events and activities concerning the use of state funds. In addition, FHWA and FTA require that the use of federal funds have proper notification. [Press Releases](#) were sent on June 27, 2008 and again on July 3, 2008.

[Paid advertisements](#) are not required by the state; however, ITD considers this a worthwhile expense that helps to ensure that citizens have a better opportunity to see notifications other than just a small press release, legal notice or a possible article. The department purchases several large advertisements in all of the major newspapers within the state to publicize the availability of the draft STIP (see copy of the ad as it was shown in the Sho-Ban News on July 17, 2008 to the left).

This year, the department placed advertisements in 21 newspapers (five more than last year) around the state (see next page for newspaper listing). For better visibility, the department used similar STIP advertisements from last year to provide a more grabbing byline and interesting graphics.

There were several articles written about the STIP this year. The articles include:

- June 27, 2008 - *ITD Transporter* – [“STIP Document available for public review, comment”](#)
- July 3, 2008 – *Idaho State Journal* – [“Input sought on transportation plan”](#)
- July 10, 2008 – *Indian Valley Alliance* – [“Public meetings on transportation”](#)
- July 18, 2008 – *The Clearwater Progress* – [“Comments sought on draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program”](#)
- July 20, 2008 – *Yellowstone Business Partnership* – [“Where is the region's public transportation?”](#)

LAST YEAR, TAXPAYERS SPENT OVER \$500 MILLION ON IDAHO ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

GET YOUR MONEY'S WORTH - GET INVOLVED -

We value your opinion, and invite you to review and comment on the draft Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

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The draft STIP is available for public comment through August 4, 2008. It describes over \$2.3 billion in projects planned for construction through the year 2013, plus the GARVEE Transportation Program.

All comments on the draft will be presented to the Idaho Transportation Board for review in September. The draft STIP will be approved by the board in October.

Copies are available for review at ITD district offices in Coeur d'Alene, Lewiston, Boise, Shoshone, Pocatello, and Rigby. They are also available online at:

www.itd.idaho.gov/planning/stip/index.htm

To request a CD or hard copy of the draft STIP, contact:
Sonna Lynn Fernandez, Idaho Transportation Department
P.O. Box 7129, Boise, ID 83707-1129
Phone: (208) 332-7823
e-mail: sonnalynn.fernandez@itd.idaho.gov

Interested persons needing an interpreter or special accommodation are urged to call (208) 332-7823; TDD (208) 334-4458. * Se les recomienda a las personas que necesitan un intérprete o arreglos especiales que llamen a la coordinadora de participación pública, al

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- July 22, 2008 – *Coeur d'Alene Press* – [“KMPO releases Transportation Improvement Program”](#)
- July 27, 2008 – *Idaho Mountain Express* – [“ITD to allocate \\$1 billion for road improvements”](#)
- Summer 2008 Newsletter – *Idaho Community Trees* – [“Grant Program, Your comments are needed”](#)

The department placed advertisements in the following newspapers:

Newspaper	Dates
Blackfoot Morning News*	July 11, 2008
Bonner Bee	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Clearwater Tribune*	July 17, 2008
Coeur d'Alene Press	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Lewiston Tribune	July 12, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Idaho County Free Press	July 16, 2008
Idaho Statesman	July 11, 2008 & July 13, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Idaho Press Tribune	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Idaho State Journal	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Idaho Unido	July 18, 2008
Messenger Index	July 16, 2008
Moscow-Pullman Daily News*	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Post Register (IF)	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Rexburg Standard Journal	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Spokesman Review*	July 11, 2008
Sho-Ban News	July 17, 2008
South Idaho Press*	July 15, 2008
St. Maries Gazette-Record*	July 16, 2008
Times News (TF)	July 11, 2008 & July 16, 2008
Weekly Mailer (Mini Cassia Area)*	July 28, 2008
Wood River Journal*	July 16, 2008

* indicates a new paper that was advertised in this year.

Public Involvement Activities

Each district and [MPO](#) is responsible for their own public involvement activities during the public comment period. Although the document is sent out of headquarters, it is the Senior Planner and the District Engineer in each district who communicates with stakeholders and put on traveling road shows about the plans and projects within their area. In some districts special maps or plans are created. Below outlines their public involvement strategy for this year.

District 1:

The District Engineer and the Senior Transportation Planner met with various transportation groups in July. During these meetings they handed out STIP CD's and discussed various district related projects.

- Kootenai County Area Transportation Team (KCATT), July 22 (all local jurisdictions in the KMPO area)
- Bonner County Area Transportation Team (BCATT), July 23 (county and all cities in the county)



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- Boundary Area Transportation Team (BATT), July 23 (county and Bonners Ferry)
- Silver Valley Area Transportation Team (SVATT), July 24 (county and all cities in the county)

During the [Governor's Transportation Conference](#) held on July 16, 2008 at the Best Western Coeur d'Alene Inn in Coeur d'Alene, a presentation of potential projects was displayed and copies of the STIP were made available to all attendees. Comment sheets were also made available. Many comments were submitted to the Office of Communications concerning transportation funding issues. These comments are not reflected here unless they reference a specific project.

District 2:

The District Engineer and the Senior Transportation Planner met with various transportation groups in July. During these meetings they handed out STIP CD's and discussed various district related projects.

- LCVMPPO
- Moscow Transportation Committee
- Lewis/Clark Byway Committee
- Nez Perce County
- Clearwater National Forest Service
- City of Moscow
- City of Lewiston
- Nez Perce Tribe
- Various Counties and Highway Districts

During the Governor's Transportation Conference held on July 17, 2008 at the Red Lion Hotel in Lewiston, a presentation of potential projects was displayed and copies of the STIP were made available to all attendees. Comment sheets were also made available. Many comments were submitted to the Office of Communications concerning transportation funding issues. These comments are not reflected here unless they reference a specific project.

District 3:

The Senior Transportation Planner met with various transportation groups in July. During these meetings they handed out STIP CD's and discussed various district related projects.

- July 8, Notus – Parma HD
- July 9, City of Caldwell
- July 10, Valley County / Adams County (VAPP)
- July 15, COMPASS RTAC (representation from 2 county metropolitan region)
- July 16, Boise Chamber of Commerce Transportation Committee
- July 17, City of Homedale
- July 21, Shoshone- Paiute Tribes
- July 22, Brokers Council of Idaho
- July 23, COMPASS RTAC (representation from 2 county metropolitan region)
- July 24, City of Greenleaf
- July 31, Ada County Highway District (ACHD)

During the Governor's Transportation Conference held on July 14, 2008 at the College of Idaho Simplot Dining Hall in Caldwell, a presentation of potential projects was displayed and copies of the STIP were made available to all attendees. Comment sheets were also made available. Many comments were submitted to the Office of



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Communications concerning transportation funding issues. These comments are not reflected here unless they reference a specific project.

[COMPASS](#) held a public hearing on July 16th with about 20 people in attendance. During this meeting, COMPASS staff presented projects from both the TIP and the STIP.

A second meeting was held on August 26th at the Boise Center on the Grove. Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter and U.S. Senator Mike Crapo hosted the morning session. Governor Otter, Congressman Mike Simpson and Idaho Transportation Board Chairman Darrell Manning hosted the afternoon session. Both meetings were open to the public. Other speakers at the conference included: AASHTO Director John Horsley, Utah DOT Deputy Director Carlos Braceras, DEQ Director Toni Hardesty, Department of Commerce Director Don Dietrich, Senator John McGee, Representative Ken Roberts, AGC Director Mark Dunham, Idaho Association of Highway Districts Director Stuart Davis and Department of Labor Research Officer Bob Uhlenkott.

[District 4:](#)

During the Governor's Transportation Conference held on August 5, 2008 at the Red Lion Canyon Spring Hotel in Twin Falls, a presentation of potential projects was displayed and copies of the STIP were made available to all attendees. Comment sheets were not made available because of the completion of the STIP comment period, however, citizens could still comment on the Governor's issues. Many comments were submitted to the Office of Communications concerning transportation funding issues. These comments are not reflected here unless they reference a specific project.

[District 5:](#)

The District Engineer and the Senior Transportation Planner met with various transportation groups in July. During these meetings they handed out STIP CD's and discussed various district related projects.

- July 7, 2008, Power County Coalition meeting
- July 17, 2008, Five County Coalition (Bannock, Bear Lake, Oneida, Franklin, and Caribou)
- July 24, 2008, Bingham County Coalition

During the Governor's Transportation Conference held on July 23, 2008 at the Red Lion Hotel in Pocatello, a presentation of potential projects was displayed and copies of the STIP were made available to all attendees. Comment sheets were also made available. Many comments were submitted to the Office of Communications concerning transportation funding issues. These comments are not reflected here unless they reference a specific project.

[District 6:](#)

During the public comment period, District 6 presented the draft STIP in open meetings with elected and appointed officials, transportation professionals and the general public held in Salmon, Arco, Driggs, Rexburg and Idaho Falls. All attendees were provided instruction on how to find and download copies of the Draft STIP document, an overview of the funding situation and discussion of specific changes affecting each community. All nine counties served by the district were represented by one or more elected officials. A reading copy was available at the district office and individual copies were given out on request.

During the Governor's Transportation Conference held on July 22, 2008 at the Shilo Inn Suites Hotel in Idaho Falls, a presentation of potential projects was displayed and copies of the STIP were made available to all

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attendees. Comment sheets were also made available. Many comments were submitted to the Office of Communications concerning transportation funding issues. These comments are not reflected here unless they reference a specific project.

Comments and Responses



There were several ways that a comment could be accepted: via mail, telephone, fax or electronic mail. New this year was the ability to submit comments through ITD's on-line comment form. Located on every page of the Draft STIP was a mouse icon. Anytime someone wanted to make a comment, they could click on this icon to be taken directly to the Comment Form.

A total of 80 comments were received this year during the 30-day comment period. As aforementioned, there were several ways that comments could be received: on-line comment form, e-mail, sent or faxed in and by telephone. Of this years comments, 60 or 75% were submitted electronically (48 via the newly developed online comment form and 12 by e-mail) and 20 comments or 25% were sent in.

Previous year submittals are indicated below:

Comment Submittals	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
GARVEE	0	108	9	185	0
Dist 1	1	52	71	7	11
Dist 2	5	10	11	2	9
Dist 3	49	45	18	17	24
Dist 4	0	3	0	4	13
Dist 5	1	18	1	0	9
Dist 6	6	10	311	15	11
Statewide	0	5	0	0	3
	62	251	421	230	80

"The Draft 2009-2013 STIP is comprehensive, well written, and very easy for the non-professional to understand. All who participated in composition of the document are to be complimented... Thank you for the opportunity to review the STIP and comment in an electronic format."

-Ruth Mohr, Volunteer
Stites Horizons

At first glance, it may seem that the number of comments received this year is significantly decreased from past years. However, the numbers from past years often represent "hot topics" that have generated a large number of comments. The hot topics of the past include: GARVEE in 2006; the Driggs Main Street Improvement project on SH-45 in 2007; and the I-84/10-Mile Overpass project in 2008.

Furthermore, during the same time as the 30-day comment period, Governor Otter was holding his Transportation Funding Conferences throughout the state. According to the Office of Communications, more than 350 comments have been received on transportation funding issues.

This year, 59 comments (74%) was a request to the Idaho Transportation Board to consider reinstating the CMAQ/Transportation Enhancement programs. Of the 26% remaining comments, 12 were project specific, 4 were general comments, 2 were on Safe Routes to School, 2 were on GARVEE, and 1 was on permits within the Department of Motor Vehicles.

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How to read the toolbar

For ease in interpreting the comments, the “toolbar” below has been created to assist you in understanding the information found within the comment lists.

C#	District	Name/Address	Organization	Comment	Response
Comment No.	ITD District or Statewide	Commenter's name and address	If commenting on behalf of an organization, the agency name will appear here. If it is a citizen, the box will remain blank	This is a general synopsis of the comment. Individual comments can be accessed by clicking on the hyperlinked comment number	If a response was requested, it is indicated here

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C#	District	Name/Address	Organization	Comment	Response
1	1	Chris Bosley 3311 W. Pine Hill Drive Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815		Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
2	3	Jill Meyer, President P.O. Box 2810 McCall, ID 83638	McCall Public Library	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement, bicycle and pedestrian projects.	Yes
3	6	Seth Beal, Chairman P.O. Box 737 Arco, ID 83213	Butte County Commissioners	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
4	1	Stephen Drinkard, Coordinator 1123 Lake Street Sandpoint, ID 83864	City of Sandpoint	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
5	2	Nancy Rush, Program Manager 20 Ruby Street Boise, ID 83704	Central District Health Department	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement, bicycle and pedestrian projects.	Yes
6	3	Thomas Hayes, Acct Director 1369 E. Holly Street Boise, ID 83712	Treasure Valley Family YMCA	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement, bicycle and pedestrian projects.	Yes
7	2	James Fazio 1049 Colt Road Moscow, ID 83843		Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement, bicycle and pedestrian projects.	Yes
8	2	Ruth Mohr P.O. Box 236 Stites, ID 83552	Stites Horizons	Complemented the STIP document and appreciated the ability to comment online.	Yes
9	3	Shirley Atteberry, President 3494 Rush Creek Road Cambridge, ID 83610	Friends of the Weiser River Trail	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
10	3	Jeanette Germain 1627 E Victory Road Boise, ID 83706		Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
11	2	Michael Bowman 463 Indian Hills Dr Moscow, ID 83843		Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
12	3	Robyn Armstrong P.O. Box 7 McCall, ID 83638		Would like to see a bike path built in the McCall area near the Barbara Morgan Elementary. Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes



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C#	District	Name/Address	Organization	Comment	Response
<u>13</u>	4	Jennifer Smith Parks Supervisor & Arborist PO Box 2315 Ketchum, ID 83340	City of Ketchum Parks & Recreation Department	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>14</u>	6	Lisa Ferris, Coordinator 1810 W Broadway, Suite 15 Idaho Falls, ID 83402	Bonneville Metropolitan Planning Organization	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>15</u>	6	Paul Scoresby, Chairman 11074 Brent Willow Lane Idaho Falls, ID 83401	City of Ucon Landscape and Beautification Committee	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>16</u>	3	Bruce Evans, Superintendent 501 East Main Street Emmett, ID 83617	City of Emmett	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>17</u>	5	Gerry Bates, Chairman 2445 John Adams Parkway Idaho Falls, ID 83401	Idaho Falls Tree Committee	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>18</u>	4	Jacob Rice, Mayor	City of Hagerman	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>19</u>	4	Sherri Miles, Director PO Box 426 Rupert, ID 83350	City of Rupert Community Development	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>20</u>	6	Louis Chritensen, Mayor PO Box 48 Driggs, ID 83422	City of Driggs	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>21</u>	2	Andrea Masom, President PO Box 252 Kendrick, ID 83537	Kendrick Urban Forestry Board	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>22</u>	4	Kelly Peterson, Parks Director 213 9 th Avenue South Buhl, ID 83316	City of Buhl	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>23</u>	4	Shari Hart, City Clerk- Treasurer 300 Main Street Filer, ID 83328	City of Filer	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>24</u>	3	Tanya Gaona, Forestry Asst 312 1 st Street South Nampa, ID 83651	City of Nampa	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>25</u>	1	Molly O'Reilly 206 N Fourth Ave PMB 213 Sandpoint, ID 83864		Would like to see additional funding appropriated for bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Offers some solutions.	
<u>26</u>	5	Kirk Hansen, Mayor 9 West 2 nd South Soda Springs, ID 83276	City of Soda Springs	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>27</u>	1	Lynn Moss, Parks & Recreation Director PO Box 617 Lewiston, ID 83501	City of Lewiston	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>28</u>	3	Julie Lafferty, City Forester 6600 E. Civic Lane Eagle, ID 83713	City of Eagle	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>29</u>	3	Tom Dale, Mayor 411 3 rd Street South Nampa, ID 83651	City of Nampa	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No

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<u>30</u>	5	Trish Avery, Asst City Clerk PO Box 187 Lava Hot Springs, ID 83246	City of Lava Hot Springs	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>31</u>	2	Brian Vrablick, Operations Mgr PO Box 9748 Moscow, ID 83843	Northwest Management, Inc.	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>32</u>	3	Cindy Blackman, Personnel Mgr PO Box 1180 Cascade, ID 83611	City of McCall	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>33</u>	3	Michelle Groenevelt, Community Development Director 216 E Park Street McCall, ID 83638	City of McCall	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>34</u>	3	Tom Rist, Mayor PO Box 10 Mountain Home, ID 83647	City of Mountain Home	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>35</u>	6	Matt Hill, Sr Multi-line Adjuster 4359 Colonial Way Idaho Falls, ID 83404	Mutual of Enumclaw Insurance	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>36</u>	3	Sue Gross, Economic Dev Coord 150 S 3 E Mountain Home, ID 83647	Mountain Home Economic Development Organ.	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>37</u>	2	Nancy Chaney, Mayor PO Box 9203 Moscow, ID 83843	City of Moscow	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>38</u>	4	Stefany Mahoney, Director	Sun Valley Chamber of Commerce and Visitor's Bureau	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>39</u>	2	Roger Blanchard, Parks Mgr PO Box 9203 Moscow, ID 83843	City of Moscow	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>40</u>	5	Michelle Pak, Assoc. Planner PO Box 4169 Pocatello, ID 83205	City of Pocatello	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>41</u>	2	Tera King, Forestry Asst. 233 E Palouse River Dr Moscow, ID 83843	Northwest Management	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>42</u>	6	Louis Chritensen, Mayor PO Box 48 Driggs, ID 83422	City of Driggs	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>43</u>	6	Wayne Jones, Educator 2925 Rollandet Idaho Falls, ID 83402	University of Idaho	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>44</u>	4	Robert Bolte, Secretary-Treas. 820 Main Street Gooding, ID 83330	Wood River RCD	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>45</u>	4	Florence Blanchard PO Box 225 Bellevue, ID 83313	Bellevue Tree Committee	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>46</u>	6	Bart Hill, Manager 6640 Dunwich Way Alexandra, VA 22315	Advanced Services, Cisco Systems, Inc.	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No

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<u>47</u>	3	Brian Jorgenson, City Forester 4969 Dorman St Boise, ID 83705	City of Boise	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>48</u>	6	Susan Czapinski, Deputy Clerk 32 Elm Street Victor, ID 83455	City of Victor	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>49</u>	5	Heather DePriest 14270 S 1 st E Idaho Falls, ID 83404	Shelley Tree Committee	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>50</u>	6	Taci Stoddard, City Clerk 420 North Bridge Suite A St. Anthony, ID 83445	City of St. Anthony	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>51</u>	5	Joan Williams, Councilman 510 Grandview Drive Malad City, ID 83252	City of Malad	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>52</u>	4	Jeanne Liston, Member PO Box 4483 Ketchum, ID 83340	Bellevue Tree Committee	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>53</u>	Statewide	Dave Schunkle, PE	Idaho Public Utilities Commission	Taking care of our existing facilities must come first. Increase bike and pedestrian opportunities.	No
<u>54</u>	3	Karen Gallagher, Transportation Planner PO Box 150 Boise, ID 83701	City of Boise	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>55</u>	6	Jared Fuhrman, Mayor	City of Idaho Falls	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>56</u>	5	Alissa Salmore, Architect 101 N Main Street Pocatello, ID 83201	Meyers Anderson Architects	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>57</u>	5	David Orthel, Chairman	City of Chubbuck Tree Committee	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>58</u>	4	Todd Bunn, PW Director 308 5 th Ave West Gooding, ID 83330	City of Gooding	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>59</u>	5	Diana Schritter, Committee Member	Aberdeen Gem Trail Group	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>60</u>	4	Jim Paskett, Commissioner 733 S Highway 81 Delco, ID 83323	Raft River Highway District	Please consider maintaining funding for CMAQ projects.	No
<u>61</u>	4	Mark Brunelle, R&D Director PO Box 126 Twin Falls, ID 83303	Twin Falls County	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	No
<u>62</u>	4	Donald Danner, President 111 Lounsbury Drive Albion, ID 83311	Albion Valley Historical Society	Please consider maintaining funding for enhancement projects.	Yes
<u>63</u>	3	Sabrina Bowman, Manager 3775 Adams Street Garden City, ID 83704	Ada County Highway District	Simple corrections to various key numbers: KN 9634, KN 10552, KN 11054, KN H3410	No
<u>64</u>	Statewide	Toni Hardesty, Director 1410 North Hilton Boise, ID 83706	Idaho Department of Environmental Quality	Stage 1 Vapor Recovery retrofit and CMAQ program.	No
<u>65</u>	1	Ronald Smith, Chairman PO Box 419 Bonners Ferry, ID 83805	Boundary County Board of Commissioners	Endorses the McArthur Corridor project. Please put his project into the STIP.	No

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<u>66</u>	1	Jennifer Porter, Chair PO Box 1269 Bonners Ferry, ID 83805	Kootenai Tribe of Idaho	Concerned that the McArthur Lake Project (STP 5110(147)) was moved to the mid-Horizons. They are requesting that this project be placed in the STIP due to the importance of the project to their Tribe.	No
<u>67</u>	1	Ronald Bockstruck PO Box 199 Bayview, ID 83803		US 95 should be improved because of its N/S "interstate" usage. Speed up the design process to get projects built quicker such as US 95 Sandpoint Bypass and the Dover Bridge.	No
<u>68</u>	1	Kirsten Pomerantz 721 W Garden Avenue Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815		Appreciates the Safe Routes to School program. Please keep rails, trails, and rideshare in the forefront of the program.	No
<u>69</u>	1	Alan Golub 1305 E Lancaster Road Hayden, ID 83835		He supports ITD's desire to widen 4-lanes at Wyoming instead of at SH-53.	No
<u>70</u>	1	Jim Janish, City Councilman PO Box 115 Dover, ID 83825	City of Dover	Please construct Dover Bridge.	No
<u>71</u>	1	Deam Haagenson		Promote a good north-south highway. Reduce congestion on US 95. Finish the Sandpoint Bypass.	No
<u>72</u>	3	Rod and Bonnie Greene 3560 N McDermott Road Meridian, ID 83646		Encourages the use of GARVEE funds for various projects in the Treasure Valley.	No
<u>73</u>	3	Ralph Gant, Commissioner 7333 Power Butte Lane Melba, ID 83641	Nampa Highway District	Encourages public transportation. Spend money wisely when doing road work. SH-45 needs repaired.	No
<u>74</u>	Statewide	Richard Tubaugh, Truck Driver 2765 Fairview Rad Zanesville, Ohio 43701		Voices his concern about proposed increases in permits fees for small trucking companies.	Yes
<u>75</u>	3	Ray Stark, Director PO Box 2368 Boise, ID 83701	Boise Metro Chamber of Commerce	Supports the widening of the one-mile grid between Boise and Meridian. Also supports the use of GARVEE funds for the I-84 GAVEVEE bonds. Supports the SH-16 Extension as a central valley expressway. Also supports the preservation of the SH-44 and US-20/26 corridors.	No
<u>76</u>	3	Caile Spear		Encourages the use of public transportation.	No
<u>77</u>	3	Andrew O'Connor 3775 Adams Street Garden City, ID 83704	Ada County Highway District	Reported several projects for inclusion as regionally significant projects. Of the ones he mentions, Eagle Road, Victory/Ridenbaugh was eligible to be added and one was already included in the project lists.	Yes
<u>78</u>	3	Jay Witt, PE 720 Park Blvd Boise, ID 83729	URS-Washington Div. Infrastructure	Concern with the Five Mile Environmental Study and its impact of I-84.	No



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79	3	David Bieter, Mayor 150 N Capitol Blvd. Boise, ID 83701	City of Boise	Comments on the TIP overall and on the Broadway Bridge Project specifically.	No
80	3	Tammy DeWeerd, Mayor 33 E Idaho Ave Meridian, ID 83646	City of Meridian	Several projects identified with comments attached to each. KN RD203-07, KN H351, and Meridian Interchange.	No

Late comment

One comment was submitted on August 21, 2008 from the [Intermountain Forest Association](#) (click to see the comment). This comment was not considered in the overall comment summary.